

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Under the heading Example 1, subheading “Embryonic Lethality”, at page 52, line 10, please amend the existing paragraph as follows:

--Embryos were isolated at 8.5 to 14.5 days post coitum. As summarized below in Table 1, four litters were examined comprising of 35 embryos, resorptions and partial resorptions. Homozygous offspring were detected by PCR at E8.5, but not at later stages. At E8.5 wild type and heterozygote littermates have 6-10 normal somites, whilst embryos homozygous for the T441 mutation were arrested in development (~~0 somites~~) and consisted of small, abnormal, reabsorbing egg cylinders resembling ~E7.5.--